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Group Art Unit : 1794

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For : REPAIR MATERIAL HAVING AFFINITY WITH TISSUE ADHESIVE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 22, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 22, 2008, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until January 22, 2008.

This response is being filed by the shortened statutory three month period for response whereby an extension of time and the government fee associated therewith should not be necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application. However, if any extension of time and/or and fee is needed to maintain the pendency of the application, this an express request for any necessary extension of time and/or fee to maintain the pendency of the application, including any extension of time for entry of an Examiner's Amendment, and authorization to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.